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## AHS Basketball Players Treated to Hornets Game

This is a release from Harvest Ministries Outreach Center: On Friday, March 11 the Anson High School varsity and junior varsity basketball teams were treated to a special "free" end of year trip to the Charlotte Hornets versus Detroit Pistons basketball game at Time Warner Cable Arena. 23 AHS players, four managers, and eight coaches and chaperones met at Anson High School, loaded up in transportation provided by Harvest Ministries Outreach Center, and made the journey to Charlotte. Upon arrival, all guests received a free t-shirt compliments of the Charlotte Hornets players and staff.

The trip was a joint effort in honor of Anson County's own Shaundaisa Smith and Lance Maurice "Big Face" Howard. Smith was an athlete at Anson High School and the granddaughter of Anson County Sheriff Landric Reid. Many of her teammates and classmates enjoyed the trip in her honor. Howard was the son of Gloria Howard, an Anson County native who has been instrumental in free trips for children and youth in Anson County, including a recent skating trip for 75 Anson County children in honor of the Anson County Spelling Bee winners.

A special thank you goes out to Pastor Brad Humphries and First Fellowship Church in Charlotte, Miss Gloria Howard, Pastors Tim and Steve Adams and the congregation of Harvest Ministries Outreach Center Wadesboro, and the many others who made this trip a reality.

Pastor Steve Adams of Harvest Ministries shared, "This is truly a great blessing to these players, to honor the lives of special people this way is a great testimony to the impact they had on so many people. Anson County's youth deserve opportunities like this, and we are just honored to be able to contribute in any way."

## Storytime Every Wednesday at Partnership for Children

The Anson County Partnership for Children offers Storytime in the Early Childhood Resource Center each Wednesday, from 10 to 10:30 a.m. for children ages 3 to 8. For more information call 704-694-4036.

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## Obituaries

### Ms. Jo Elaine Borden

Ms. Jo Elaine Borden, 77, was called home to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 19, 2016, at Anson Health and Rehab in Wadesoro.

Funeral services were held on Monday, March 28, 2016, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. Interment followed in Williams Cemetery in Polkton.

Jo was born in Polkton on July 1, 1939, the daughter of George L. Borden and the late Fannie Mae Sturdivant Borden.

She was a member of New Grove Baptist Church in Polkton, attending until declining health. She was educated in the public schools of Anson County and attended Polkton High School.

Although she had no children of her own she raised her great-nieces Jennifer Bowman and Teresa "Rita" Little as her own as well as four godchildren who were dear to her heart, Dextra Little, Jr., Dominique Little, Jatoya Little and Wayne Ross.

Jo leaves to cherish her memories her father,

George L. Borden of Polkton; great-great nephew Na'Zaren Houston; great-great niece Ta'Jenae Cash; a special cousin who was also her best-friend, Lilly Mae Shwartz of York, SC; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

In addition to her mother, she was preceded in death by her sister and brother, Edith Mae Bowman and Luke Borden.

### Mr. Robert Haggerty, Jr.

Mr. Robert Haggerty, Jr., 64, died Sunday, March 27, 2016, at his home.

There will be a memorial service at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, in the Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home. The family will greet friends one hour prior to the service.

Robert was born April 22, 1951, in Newark, NJ, a son of the late Robert Haggerty and Eilene Margaret O'Neill Haggerty. He was a veteran of the United States Army and was retired from Anson County Waste Water Department.

Surviving are his wife, Glenda Haggerty of the home; his children, Alicia (Will) Land of Florida, Sue (Neil) Williams of Lilesville, Tina Muse of Wadesboro,

Richard (Stephanie) Atkinson of Cape Coral, FL, Glenda (Greg) Cellini of Cochranville, PA, Veronica (Doug) Ritter of Carnies Point, NJ and Marsha Rizzo of New Castle, NJ; his brother and sisters, Dennis Haggerty and Linda Price, both of Monroe, NJ and Lori Ritter of Bluffton, SC; his grandchildren, Willie Land, Tyler Land, Ashley (Shaun) James, Pamela (Michael) Waller, Brittany (Preston) Causey, Lauren Atkinson, Richey Atkinson, Drew Cellini, Mia Cellini, Tiara Ritter, Kyle Ritter, Joey Rizzo and Santino Rizzo; and great-grandchildren, Jesse, Dylan and Bella James and Myah and Ayden Waller.

The arrangements are in care of Leavitt Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at [www.leavittfh.com](http://www.leavittfh.com).

### Mrs. Shirley Mills Hildreth

Mrs. Shirley Mills Hildreth, 73, died Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at Ambassador Health and Rehab in Wadesboro.

The funeral service took place on Thursday, March 24, 2016, with Rev. Donnie Helms officiating. A private interment took place in Anson Memorial Park.

Shirley was born August 26, 1942, in Union County, NC, a daughter of the late Clayton Ralph Mills and the late Lessie Harris Mills. She was retired from BC Moore and Son Corporate Office and was a member of North Wadesboro Baptist Church.

Surviving are her sons and daughters-in-law, Steve and Amy Hildreth of Lexington and Alan and Lisa Hildreth of Marshville; her grandchildren, Hannah, Andrew and Gabe Hildreth; her brother and sisters, Lewis Mills of Oakboro, Elizabeth Berrier and Betty

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